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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2316

Introduced by Assembly Member Hueso

February 24, 2012

An act to amend Section ~~66201~~ of the Education Code, relating to ~~public postsecondary education~~. *94874.1 of the Education Code, relating to private postsecondary education.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2316, as amended, Hueso. ~~Public postsecondary education: admissions.~~ *California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009: exemption.*

Existing law, the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009, provides, among other things, for student protections and regulatory oversight of private postsecondary educational institutions in the state. The act is enforced by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education within the Department of Consumer Affairs. The act provides several exemptions, including, but not limited to, an exemption for an institution that is accredited by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, and does not hold a specified accreditation, from specified provisions of the act until January 1, 2016.

This bill would provide that exemption shall apply only until January 1, 2015.

~~Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that each resident of California who has the capacity and motivation to benefit from higher education should have the opportunity to enroll in an institution of higher education.~~

~~This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that statement.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 ~~SECTION 1. Section 94874.1 of the Education Code is amended~~
2 ~~to read:~~

3 94874.1. (a) An institution that is accredited by a regional
4 accrediting agency that is recognized by the United States
5 Department of Education, and is not an agency described in
6 subdivision (i) of Section 94874, is exempt from this chapter,
7 except Article 14 (commencing with Section 94923).

8 (b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, ~~2016~~
9 2015, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,
10 that is enacted before January 1, ~~2016~~ 2015, deletes or extends
11 that date.

12 ~~SECTION 1. Section 66201 of the Education Code is amended~~
13 ~~to read:~~

14 66201. (a) ~~It is the intent of the Legislature that every resident~~
15 ~~of California who has the capacity and motivation to benefit from~~
16 ~~higher education should have the opportunity to enroll in an~~
17 ~~institution of higher education. Once enrolled, an individual should~~
18 ~~have the opportunity to continue as long and as far as his or her~~
19 ~~capacity and motivation, as indicated by academic performance~~
20 ~~and commitment to educational advancement, will lead him or her~~
21 ~~to meet academic standards and institutional requirements.~~

22 (b) ~~The Legislature hereby reaffirms the commitment of the~~
23 ~~State of California to provide an appropriate place in California~~
24 ~~public higher education for every student who is willing and able~~
25 ~~to benefit from attendance.~~